

Torrance, California.
February 26th., 1935.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF TORRANCE

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in a Regular Meeting in the City Hall, Torrance, California, on Tuesday, February 26th., 1935.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Ludlow at 7:45 P.M.

City Clerk Bartlett called the roll. Those answering present were Councilmen: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. Absent: Councilmen: None.

Councilman Hitchcock moved the minutes of the regular meeting of February 13th., 1935, and the minutes of an Adjourned regular meeting of February 19th., 1935, be approved as written. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

City Clerk Bartlett read a communication from W.E. Bowen, 1327 Cota Avenue, Torrance, California, relative to parking of cars on El Dorado Avenue. Councilman Ludlow ordered this be referred to the Police Commission and report back to next meeting.

A communication from the Torrance Chamber of Commerce recommending sewage facilities in the District west of Cedar Avenue as a P.W.A. Project was read. Engineer Leonard stated this would be a County Sanitation District Project. Councilman Hitchcock suggested the matter be referred to Engineer Leonard. Councilman Klusman suggested a petition for this improvement be circulated by the property owners in the District.

+ City Clerk Bartlett read a communication from Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works authorizing procedure of the construction of the one (1) well, and the steel tower and tank as contained in the City of Torrance's original application. Mayor Ludlow ordered this communication be placed on file.

A communication from C.J. Rambo & Company giving schedule of valuations at which assets as acquired from Torrance Water, Light & Power Co., have been set up on the records of Torrance Municipal Water District No. 1 was read. After considerable discussion, Councilman Hitchcock moved that the City Clerk and the Auditor be authorized to set up the figures mentioned by Mr. Rambo in his letter of February 25, 1935, as representing the assets acquired from Torrance Water, Light & Power Company and that \$3,679.50 be set up each year for depreciation purposes on these assets. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows:
AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow.
NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Stanger moved Mr. Rambo's letter of February 25, 1935, be spread on the minutes of this meeting. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

"February 25, 1935

"The Honorable City Council,
City of Torrance,
Torrance, Calif.

Gentlemen:

The following is a schedule of valuations at which assets as acquired from Torrance Water, Light & Power Co., have been set up upon the records of Torrance Municipal Water District No. 1.

"Property	Valuation	Estim. Life
Distribution Mains:		
Cast Iron	\$ 67 255 00	45 Yrs.
Riveted & Galvanized	6 601 00	20 "
Services	10 813 00	20 "
Hydrants	2 687 00	25 "
Valves	2 253 00	25 "
Trucks & Cars	1 200 00	5 "
Office Equipment	411 50	10 "
Tools	150 00	5 "
Meters	16 110 00	20 "
Land	1 356 00	--
Total	\$ 108 836 50	

The above valuations are taken from the appraisal by Salisbury, Bradshaw and Taylor and the estimated life for depreciation reserves has been arrived at as being equitable and reasonable by concordance of opinion between City Engineer, Mr. Leonard and ourselves.

Based upon the above valuations and estimated life of the property, the annual depreciation reserves will amount to \$3 679 50.

After giving careful consideration to all factors involved, we believe that the above set-up including depreciation rates is in accordance with sound and accepted accounting procedure.

Respectfully yours,

C. J. Rambo & Company

By (Signed) C.J. Rambo "

CJR/M

City Clerk Bartlett read a communication from County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County with reference to disposal of clear waste water from the Coast Insulating Company at Arlington Avenue and 208th. Street. Mayor Ludlow ordered this letter filed.

A communication and agreement from Pacific Electric Railway Company addressed to Mr. Leonard, City Engineer, relative to the installation of culverts across Border Avenue at 220th. St. was read. Councilman Hitchcock moved Engineer Leonard be authorized to sign the copy of this agreement and proceed with the work. Councilman Klusman seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows:
 AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow.
 NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Klusman called attention to the condition of the intersection of Cabrillo and Carson Street during the rains. After some discussion, this was referred to the Street Department for report at next meeting.

A communication from the American Legion requesting the Council to forward a resolution to Congress with reference to adjusted certificates was read. Attorney Rippey read in full

RESOLUTION NO. 684

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
 CITY OF TORRANCE, PETITIONING CONGRESS TO
 PROVIDE FOR PAYMENT OF ADJUSTED SERVICE
 CERTIFICATES.

Councilman Stanger moved Resolution No. 684 be adopted and forwarded air mail. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

A communication from Assets Corporation, was read, regarding the renewal of the lease covering the building at 1316 Cabrillo Avenue. Councilman Hitchcock moved the Commissioner of the Recreation Department be given power to act regarding this letter and report. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

City Clerk Bartlett presented an airport questionnaire sent in by Torrance Chamber of Commerce.

An application for a permit to build a refinery on Lot 1, Block 102, Torrance Tract was read. Councilman Klusman moved the permit be granted. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Engineer Leonard reported that he had received word from the Los Angeles City Council requesting our City Council pass a Resolution indorsing President Roosevelt's relief program on P.W.A. Projects and forward same to Washington. Attorney Rippy read in full

RESOLUTION NO. 685

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REGARDING PUBLIC WORKS RELIEF BILL.

Councilman Klusman moved that Resolution No. 685 be adopted. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Hitchcock reported work on Lomita Boulevard and Western Avenue has been completed. He also called attention to the necessity of a small building at the City Yard for the Street Superintendent and moved \$100.00 be appropriated for this work. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Mayor Ludlow referred to the proposed remodeling of the Elementary School and stated it had been recommended that steel should be used throughout in the construction of the buildings. He advised that a resolution to this effect be forwarded to the members of the Board of Education. After further discussion, Attorney Rippy read in full

RESOLUTION NO. 686

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, RELATING TO THE USE OF STEEL IN TORRANCE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that Resolution No. 686 be adopted and a copy be forwarded to members and Clerk of the School Board. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Attorney Rippy stated he had prepared a resolution authorizing O'Melveny, Tuller & Myers to draft and furnish supporting memorandum urging passage of Assembly Bills Nos. 823 and 827. He then read in full

RESOLUTION NO. 687

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CONFIRMING THE EMPLOYMENT OF O'MELVENY, TULLER & MYERS, TO DRAFT ASSEMBLY BILLS NOS. 823 AND 827.

Councilman Stanger moved that Resolution No. 687 be adopted. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Attorney Rippy stated he had been requested to prepare a resolution petitioning Congress to approve the General Pulaski's Memorial Day Resolution now before the House. He then read in full

RESOLUTION NO. 688RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, STATE
OF CALIFORNIA, IN SESSION ASSEMBLED.

Councilman Klusman moved that Resolution No. 688 be adopted. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows:
 AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow.
 NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Attorney Rippy stated he received a call from the County Librarian asking if the City of Torrance intends to create a Regional Library District. After some discussion with reference to this matter, also the proposition of a library building, Mr. Tom Waters, who was in the audience, stated he had a site for such a building which he would like to offer. Councilman Klusman moved Mayor Ludlow appoint a committee to look into the forming of a Library District. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Attorney Rippy reported he had talked with a representative of the California Water Service Company and told him he did not think the Council would accept any other conditions than those already presented to him.

Attorney Rippy also reported the Railroad Commission had adjourned to April without taking action on telephone rate adjustment.

Attorney Rippy read in full

RESOLUTION NO. 689RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE, RESCINDING RESOLUTION
NO. 660, AND REGULATING THE FILING OF
APPLICATIONS FOR WATER CONNECTIONS,
METER SERVICES, DEPOSITS, DELINQUENCIES
AND DISCONTINUANCE OF WATER SERVICE.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that Resolution No. 689 be adopted. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Attorney Rippy stated a letter had been received from Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works approving Bond Ordinance No. 263 as amended with the exception of the Form of Bond, and Coupon. Attorney Rippy stated Section 2 of Ordinance No. 263 should be amended by inserting Form of Bond and Coupon as suggested by the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works in lieu of bond and coupon now in said Section 2 of said Ordinance as amended. Attorney Rippy read Form of Bond and Coupon to be inserted in Section 2, Ordinance No. 263, as amended. Councilman Hitchcock moved that Section 2 of amended Ordinance No. 263 be amended by inserting therein Form of Bond and Coupon read by City Attorney in lieu of Bond and Coupon in the amended Ordinance. Councilman Klusman seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Attorney Rippy thereupon read title to

ORDINANCE NO. 263 as amended

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OF ACT OF 1927 MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$128,000.00) AUTHORIZED AT A SPECIAL ELECTION HELD SEPTEMBER 25, 1930, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING AND CONSTRUCTING A WATER WORKS SYSTEM FOR SAID DISTRICT, AND THE SALE OF SAID BONDS TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AT PRIVATE SALE AND AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF BANKS FOR CERTIFICATION OF SAID BONDS AS LEGAL INVESTMENT FOR BANKS.

Councilman Hitchcock moved the further reading of Ordinance No. 263 as amended be dispensed with. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously. Councilman Stanger moved amended Ordinance No. 263 as amended be approved for its first reading. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Stanger reported painting in the Fire Department had been completed, also the Pistol Range is practically completed, and the "K Kowshed Restaurant" is now open.

Councilman Klusman asked if anything had been done in regard to under passages at Railroad Crossings. Engineer Leonard reported they were not required when freight trains only crossed the streets.

Councilman Tolson reported that the Park Department is seeding baseball grounds.

Mayor Ludlow spoke on the subject of a Library Building as a Government Project and appointed Engineer Leonard, and City Clerk as a Committee to investigate the possibilities. Councilman Stanger to advise with them.

Councilman Hitchcock moved all bills properly audited be paid. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that the meeting be adjourned to Monday, March 4th., 1935, at 7:45 P.M. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Mayor Ludlow declared the meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

A. H. Baxley

City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

S. R. Ludlow
Mayor of the City of Torrance.